



CALIFORNIA, 30TH DISTRICT

CONGRESSMAN BRAD SHERMAN

March 3, 2022

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20500

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear President Biden and Secretary Buttigieg:

Following the announcement that FAA Administrator Stephen Dickson will resign on March 31, 2022, I write to ask that the Administration takes significant steps to nominate a new FAA Administrator that will address the issue of aviation noise and other impacts from aviation. The Members of the Quiet Skies Caucus have worked to seek real changes and relief for the communities that suffer from severe disruption from aircraft.

Numerous communities and countless residents in my district in the San Fernando Valley have been severely impacted by increases in aviation noise and other aviation impacts. Despite the creation of a San Fernando Valley Noise Taskforce, countless public comments, and numerous public hearings clearly documenting the nature and extent of the problem, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has failed to take any meaningful, corrective action. Elected officials at every level of government from City Council Members to California's Senators have joined me in repeatedly calling for action. At my request, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) is also examining the FAA's failure to respond to the concerns of communities, like those that I represent.

The FAA, under the Trump Administration, demonstrated an unwillingness to respond to the serious problems and disruption that resulted by changes they have made since the implementation of the Next Gen system. It is critical that the Department of Transportation and the new Administrator of the FAA take the health and safety concerns of the public seriously and take immediate action to address public concerns.

I look forward to working with you to find an immediate solution that will reduce unacceptable aircraft noise and other aviation impacts for residents of the San Fernando Valley and for other communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brad Sherman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brad" and last name "Sherman" clearly legible.

BRAD SHERMAN
Member of Congress